

CHARACTERISTICS OF SNAP HOUSEHOLDS
Ohio Congressional District 18

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is the cornerstone of the Nation's nutrition assistance safety net. SNAP touches the lives of over one in seven Americans. Benefits are available to most people who meet the financial requirements, and the program serves a broad spectrum of low income people. In Fiscal Year 2011, SNAP provided about \$3 billion dollars in food benefits to a monthly average of 1,779,237 people in Ohio. The program served 79 percent of those eligible for benefits in Ohio in 2010. SNAP also has an economic multiplier effect; every dollar in new SNAP benefits results in \$1.80 in total economic activity.

The American Community Survey provides a snapshot of SNAP participants in 2009-2011 for each Congressional District. More detailed information for the Nation and each State is presented in *Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2011*, available at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis>.

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Characteristics	Households Receiving SNAP	Households Not Receiving SNAP	Total
Households	42,273	208,686	250,959
With one or more people 60 years and over	21.9%	40.4%	37.3%
With children under 18 years	52.8%	28.0%	32.2%
POVERTY STATUS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
Below poverty level	58.1%	8.0%	16.5%
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN OF HOUSEHOLDER			
White	94.2%	97.3%	96.8%
Black or African American	2.7%	1.2%	1.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%
Two or more races	2.6%	0.9%	1.2%
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	93.9%	96.8%	96.3%
HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2011 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Median income (dollars)	\$15,687	\$46,960	\$40,795
WORK STATUS			
Families	29,453	142,045	171,498
No workers in past 12 months	28.1%	15.2%	17.4%
1 worker in past 12 months	48.0%	30.2%	33.2%
2 or more workers in past 12 months	23.9%	54.6%	49.4%

Sources: National Data Bank Version 8.2 Public Use, Annual FY 2011 Final (April 2013 download). Empirical Bayes Shrinkage Estimates of State Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Participation Rates in 2008-2010 for All Eligible People and the Working Poor (February 2013). Available <http://www.fns.usda.gov/research-and-analysis> U.S. Census Bureau, 2009-2011 American Community Survey, using 112th Congressional District boundaries.